

Mr. Rota, one of its clerks, announced that the Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to request the Senate to return the official papers on the bill (S. 1843) to extend certain hydro-electric licenses in the State of Alaska.

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2621. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to consumer product protection.

H.R. 3758. An act for the relief of So Hyun Jun.

H.R. 3988. An act to amend title 36, United States Code, to clarify the requirements for eligibility in the American Legion.

H.R. 4546. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4628. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4727. An act to reauthorize the national dam safety program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5590. An act to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the enforcement and effectiveness of civilian orders of protection on military installations.

H.R. 5708. An act to reduce preexisting PAYGO balances, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5716. An act to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to extend the mental health benefits parity provisions for an additional year.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

S. 1214. An act to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-9643. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flue-Cured Tobacco Advisory Committee Amendment of Regulation" [Doc. No. TB-02-14] (RIN0581-AC11) received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9644. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Beef Promotion and Research Rules Regulations" [Doc. No. LS-99-20] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9645. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Exemption for Shipments of Tree Run Citrus" [Doc. No. FV02-905-4 IFR] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9646. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Kiwi Fruit Grown in California; Increased Assessment Rate" [Doc. No. FV02-920-4 FR] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9647. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges and Grapefruit Grown in Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas; Decreased Assessment Rate" [Doc. No. FV02-906-1 IFR] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9648. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Removing Dancy and Robinson Tangerine Varieties From the Rules and Regulations" [Doc. No. FV02-905-3 FIR] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9649. A communication from the Administrator, Tobacco Programs, Agriculture Marketing Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irish Potatoes Grown in Certain Designated Counties in Idaho, and Malheur County, Oregon, and Irish Potatoes Imported into the United States; Modification of Handling and Import Regulations" [FV00-945-2 FR] received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9650. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Canadian Border Ports; Blaine and Lynden, WA" [Doc. No. 02-064-1] received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9651. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Removal of Quarantined Areas" [Doc. No. 01-093-3] received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9652. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Gypsy Moth Generally Infested Areas" [Doc. No. 02-053-2] received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9653. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department

of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza; Payment of Indemnity" [Doc. No. 02-048-1] received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9654. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change in Disease Status of Israel Because of BSE" [Doc. No. 02-072-2] received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9655. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clopyralid; Pesticide Tolerance Technical Correction" received on October 28, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9656. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thiamenthoxam; Pesticide Tolerance" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9657. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Difluzenzuron; Pesticide Tolerance Correction" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9658. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Evidence for Accrued Benefits" (RIN2900-AH42) received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-9659. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Service Connection by Presumption of Aggravation of a Chronic Preexisting Disease" received on November 13, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-9660. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs" received on November 13, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-9661. A communication from the Under Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, a report entitled "New Initiatives: Meeting Veterans' Needs" from the Virginia Office of Research and Development; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-9662. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program" (TX-048-FOR) received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-9663. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Utah Regulatory Program" (UT-041-FOR) received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-9664. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of